

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on December 9, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. in the main hall of the Winslow Visitor's Center, 523 West Second Street, Winslow, Arizona.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Cano, Councilmember Cake, Councilmember Crisp, Councilmember MacLean (via Zoom), Councilmember McKee, Councilmember Tafoya

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Salazar

STAFF:

David Coolidge City Manager, Trish Stuhan City Attorney, Suzy Wetzel City Clerk, Jack Fitchett Economic Development Director, Kelley Ward Human Resources Director, Kelleen Haney Police Support Services Manager

Mayor Cano called the meeting to order. The Pledge was given and the Invocation was offered by Tamry Wright. Roll call was taken and Councilmember Salazar was absent. Motion: Moved by Councilmember Mayor Cano, seconded by Councilmember McKee, to excuse the absent member. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS

A. Current Events and Announcements

The following events and announcements were made under this item:

Councilmember Crisp

- Santa Train on December 11th
- Soroptomist Holiday Painting event on December 18th
- Various events at the Winslow Theater
- Ady Strong Christmas Pageant & Blanket Drive
- Arts Council Light Contest
- Fluffy therapy at the Library on December 12th
- Recognized Mark & Lori Romo for sponsoring a toy drive for Winslow, Joseph City and Holbrook

Mayor Cano

- Elks Christmas Basket information

B. Future Agenda Items

Councilmember Crisp referred to comments made at the last meeting related to homelessness and requested that the issue be placed on an upcoming agenda for discussion.

SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**A. Proclamation – Recognizing the Winslow High Dance Line’s 2025 AIA Division III State Gameday Dance Championship**

This item took place prior to Call to the Public

After Mayor Cano read the proclamation, it was presented to the Dance Line Team and their coaches who were in attendance.

B. Presentation of Employee Service Awards

The Human Resources Director announced the employees who were receiving awards and presented them to those who were in attendance.

C. Quarterly Northland Pioneer College (NPC) Report Which May Include Update on 2025-2030 Strategic Planning Process, Introduction of New Friends & Family Executive Director and Little Colorado Campus Activities

Associate Vice President for External Relations Rich Chanick commented on how legislation could impact NPC operations and stated that recent changes by NPC has made it easier to hold events on their campuses.

Mr. Chanick discussed NPC’s relationship with the city’s Economic Development Director and reported that he has been working closely with both GLD and Atlas Global regarding to their potential projects in the Winslow area.

Mr. Chanick then provided information regarding the following items:

- Scholarships for the upcoming Spring Semester
- Increase in summer enrollment since instituting free tuition
- Steady increase to enrollment numbers

NPC President Dr. Von Lawson announced that a new initiative offering a full online program to students will be implemented next fall. The Winslow Campus will also host the first NPC Gala next fall.

In closing, Mr. Chanick responded to a question from Mayor Cano regarding attendance at NPC's food distribution events.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Verbal Status Report on Current City Activities by City Manager Which May Include Project and Development Update

The City Manager provided detailed updates regarding the following projects:

- Pocket Park upgrades
- 9/11 Park renovations
- New water tank
- Downtown restrooms (drawings displayed on screen)
- Annual Pavement Preservation Project

The City Manager then provided updates regarding the following development projects:

- Circle K
- Ace Hardware
- Hampton Inn
- Noarth Park Drive parcel
- Paseo Norte PAD

At the conclusion of his report, the City Manager read a letter that was received from a Winslow resident thanking the Building Department for their assistance with regard to a roofing project. The City Manager noted that it may be necessary to have a Special Council Meeting the week of December 15th and also responded to a question from Mayor Cano regarding the downtown restroom design.

B. Quarterly Report by Fire Chief Which May Include Department Overview and Emergency Response Highlights

After stating that he is here to provide the highest-level of service to both internal external customers, the Fire Chief reported that he has been working with the Superintendent of Schools to find funding to upgrade their fire alarms and PA systems.

The Fire Chief also discussed recent semi-truck fires on I-40 and provided a PowerPoint Presentation showing various pieces of equipment utilized by the Fire Department. The presentation also contained photos of various events including Breakfast with Santa and the recent Badge Pinning Ceremony.

Councilmember McKee acknowledged and thanked the Fire Chief for his commitment to his staff and the community.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Tafoya, seconded by Councilmember Cake, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented minus. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

- A. Discussion and/or Action to Approve the Check Register**
- B. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of November 25, 2025**
- C. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement for Court Collection and Criminal Justice Services**
- D. Discussion and/or Action to Approve Agreement Between City and AECOM Technical Services to Provide Services Pursuant to a Cooperative Purchasing Contract Related to Grant Administration, Compliance Monitoring and Project Management Assistance for the I-40 TradePort Corridor**

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Discussion and/or Action to Approve the Professional Services Agreement Between the City and The Kruse Group and Authorize City Manager to Sign**

The City Manager stated that Karen (Kruse) has done a wonderful job for the city over the last two years and explained that the new agreement is for multiple years instead of just one year. Karen stated that it is her honor and privilege to represent the City of Winslow at the State Capitol and looks forward to many more years of success.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Cano, seconded by Councilmember McKee, to authorize the City Manager to sign the Kruse Group agreement. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Councilmember Cake, seconded by Councilmember Tafoya, to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Mayor Cano and Councilmembers Cake, Crisp, MacLean, McKee and Tafoya voting yes.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Winslow City Council held on December 9, 2025 at 6:30 P.M. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Dated this *13th* day of *January*, 2026.

Suzy Wetzel
City Clerk